

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions of claims in the application.

1. (Original): A process for preparing a vinyl chloride copolymer resin by copolymerizing a vinyl chloride type monomer and a macromonomer having a polymer comprising an ethylenically unsaturated monomer containing a double bond in a main chain, wherein the vinyl chloride type monomer and the macromonomer having a polymer comprising an ethylenically unsaturated monomer containing a double bond in a main chain are dispersed and mixed at a temperature from 20°C to 60°C for at least 1 minute, and then copolymerization reaction thereof is initiated.
2. (Original): The process for preparing a vinyl chloride copolymer resin of Claim 1, wherein the vinyl chloride type monomer and the macromonomer having a polymer comprising an ethylenically unsaturated monomer containing a double bond in a main chain are totally put into a dispersing-and-mixing tank, and then dispersed and mixed.
3. (Original): The process for preparing a vinyl chloride copolymer resin of Claim 1 or 2, wherein the ratio of the vinyl chloride type monomer to the total amount of the monomer components constituting the vinyl chloride copolymer resin is at least 50 % by weight up to less than 100 % by weight.

4. (Currently Amended): The process for preparing a vinyl chloride copolymer resin of ~~any of Claims 1 to 3~~ Claim 1 or 2, wherein the ratio of (A) the vinyl chloride type monomer to (B) the macromonomer having a polymer comprising an ethylenically unsaturated monomer containing a double bond in a main chain (A/B) is 99.95 % by weight/0.05 % by weight to 60 % by weight/40 % by weight.

5. (Currently Amended): The process for preparing a vinyl chloride copolymer resin of ~~any of Claims 1 to 4~~ Claim 1 or 2, wherein the vinyl chloride type monomer and the macromonomer having a polymer comprising an ethylenically unsaturated monomer containing a double bond in a main chain are copolymerized in an aqueous medium.

6. (Currently Amended): The process for preparing a vinyl chloride copolymer resin of ~~any of Claims 1 to 5~~ Claim 1 or 2, wherein the vinyl chloride type monomer and the macromonomer having a polymer comprising an ethylenically unsaturated monomer containing a double bond in a main chain are prepared by at least one process selected from the group consisting of emulsion polymerization, suspension polymerization and micro suspension polymerization.

7. (Currently Amended): The process for preparing a vinyl chloride copolymer resin of ~~any of Claims 1 to 6~~ Claim 1 or 2, wherein the macromonomer having a

polymer comprising an ethylenically unsaturated monomer containing a double bond in a main chain has a polymerizable reactive group, and said polymerizable reactive group has a structure containing at least one group represented by the following general formula per one molecule:



wherein R represents a hydrogen atom or an organic group having 1 to 20 carbon atoms.

8. (Currently Amended): The process for preparing a vinyl chloride copolymer resin of ~~any of Claims 1 to 7~~ Claim 1 or 2, wherein the macromonomer having a polymer comprising an ethylenically unsaturated monomer containing a double bond in a main chain is prepared by living radical polymerization.

9. (Currently Amended): The process for preparing a vinyl chloride copolymer resin of ~~any of Claims 1 to 8~~ Claim 1 or 2, wherein at least one of the macromonomers having a polymer comprising an ethylenically unsaturated monomer containing a double bond in a main chain has a glass transition temperature of at most 0°C.

10. (Currently Amended): A vinyl chloride copolymer resin composition which contains the vinyl chloride copolymer resin obtained by the process of ~~any of Claims 1 to 9~~ Claim 1 or 2.